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In re Application of: KLETT, et al.

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Hendrickson, Stuart

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For:

PITCH-BASED CARBON FOAM HEAT SINK WITH

PHASE CHANGE MATERIAL

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REPLY TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Final Office Action dated October 2, 2003 ("Office Action"), please find the following Remarks.

REMARKS

This Reply is filed within the three-month shortened statutory period, and is thus timely filed.

Claims 56-84 and 128-131 were pending in the application at the time of the Office Action. In the Office Action, claims 56, 57, 60-68, 76-84, 128 and 131 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 3,859,421 (Hucke). Claims 58, 59, 69-75, 129 and 130 were objected to, but were determined to be allowable if written in independent form including all limitations of their respective independent and dependent claims.